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PATRICIA HIRO WILLIAMS

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MR. EASTLAND, from the Committee on the Judiciary,
submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 11578]

The Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the bill (H.R. 11578) for the relief of Patricia Hiro Williams, having considered the same, reports favorably thereon without amendment and recommends that the bill do pass.

PURPOSE OF THE BILL

The purpose of the bill is to facilitate the entry into the United States in an immediate relative status of the alien child adopted by a citizen of the United States and his wife.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The beneficiary of the bill is a 4-year-old native and citizen of Japan, who was adopted on December 16, 1968, by a U.S. citizen member of our Armed Forces and his Japanese wife. The adoptive parents were married in Japan on September 14, 1965, and have no natural children. The adoptive father has four children from two prior marriages, three of whom are now adults. He has received orders transferring him back to the United States in May 1970.

A letter, with attached memorandum, dated September 12, 1969, to the chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives from the Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization with reference to the case, reads as follows:

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,
IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE,
Washington, D.C., September 12, 1969.

A-18904523.

HON. EMANUEL CELLER,
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary,
House of Representatives, Washington, D.C.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: In response to your request for a report relative to the bill (H.R. 11578) for the relief of Patricia Hiro Williams, there is attached a memorandum of information concerning the beneficiary.

The bill provides that the 3-year-old adopted daughter of Technical Sergeant and Mrs. Wayne V. Williams may be classified as a child and be granted immediate relative status.

It is noted that the bill refers to Mrs. Williams as a U.S. citizen. Mrs. Williams is a citizen and resident of Japan.

Absent enactment of the bill, the beneficiary, a native of Japan, would be chargeable to the nonpreference portion of the numerical limitation for immigrants and conditional entrants from countries in the Eastern Hemisphere.

Sincerely,

RAYMOND F. FARRELL,
Commissioner.

MEMORANDUM OF INFORMATION FROM IMMIGRATION AND
NATURALIZATION SERVICE FILES RE H.R. 11578

Information concerning the case was obtained from Technical Sergeant and Mrs. Wayne V. Williams, the adoptive parents of the beneficiary.

The beneficiary, Patricia Hiro Williams, a native and citizen of Japan, was born on January 17, 1966. She lives with her adoptive parents in Japan. The beneficiary's parents and their other children also live there. Sergeant and Mrs. Williams adopted the beneficiary on December 16, 1968, in Japan, with the consent of the parents.

Sergeant Williams was born on May 14, 1915, in Ellettsville, Ind. Mrs. Williams was born on October 25, 1933, in Japan and is a citizen of that country. They were married on September 14, 1965, in Tokyo. No children have been born of this marriage. Sergeant Williams was married on two previous occasions, and both marriages were terminated by divorce. Three children, all now adults, were born of his first marriage. One child, now age 15, was born of his second marriage.

Sergeant Williams has been a member of the U.S. Air Force since February 1951, and his present enlistment expires in October 1970. He receives \$418 a month salary, plus \$250 a month from the noncommissioned officers' mess. He has savings in the amount of \$4,000 and stocks worth approximately \$1,500. Mrs. Williams is not gainfully employed.

The Department of State submitted the following report on the bill dated September 5, 1969, to the chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
Washington, D.C., September 5, 1969.

HON. EMANUEL CELLER,
*Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary,
House of Representatives, Washington, D.C.*

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: Reference is made to your request for a report concerning the case of Patricia Hiro Williams, beneficiary of H.R. 11578, 91st Congress.

The bill would provide for the beneficiary's classification as a child and for granting of immediate relative status upon the approval of a petition filed by Technical Sergeant and Mrs. Wayne V. Williams, American citizens.

The American consulate at Fukuoka, Japan, has reported that the beneficiary was born on January 17, 1966, in Japan. She resides with her adoptive parents at Itazuke Air Force Base at Fukuoka. Both of her parents were alive at the time of her adoption under the Japanese Civil Code on December 23, 1968, by Sergeant and Mrs. Williams. She has three sisters, ages, 9, 7, and 5 years, who reside with their natural parents at Kagoshima, Japan. Because of a change in his military orders, Sergeant Williams will be unable to fulfill the 2-year residence requirement of section 101(b) (1) (E) of the Immigration and Nationality Act to qualify the beneficiary as a child.

The beneficiary underwent a medical examination on July 31, 1969, and was found qualified to receive a visa.

Two copies of the beneficiary's birth certificate, amended to show her adoption, are enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

WILLIAM B. MACOMBER, Jr.,
Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations.

FAMILY REGISTER (BIRTH CERTIFICATE)

Full name: Reiko Yano.

Permanent address: 1715 Uchiyamada, Hayato-machi, Aira-gun, Kagoshima-ken.

Due to notification of adoption, this register was made for the adoptive parents on December 23, 1968 (Hatsuse).

Name: Reiko.

Third daughter of—

Father: Morikuma Yano.

Mother: Chivo.

Date of birth: October 25, 1933.

Notification of birth at 406 Oaza Nomura, Kameyama-machi, Suzuka-gun, Mie-ken, on October 25, 1933, was made by father Morikuma Yano, accepted by Town-master of Kameyama-machi on November 4 of the same year, transmitted and entered into register on 9th of the same month (Hatsuse).

Notification of marriage to Wayne Vernon Williams, a U.S. citizen, was made, accepted by Word-chief of Minato-ku,

Tokyo-to, on September 14, 1965, and transmitted on 20th of the same month (Hatsuse).

Notification of adoption of Hiroko Yano by Reiko and her husband Wayne Vernon Williams was made on December 23, 1968, and entered into this register from that of Morikuma Yano at 1715 Uchiyamada, Hayato-machi, Aira-gun (Hatsuse).

Name: Hiroko.

Third daughter of—

Father: Masaru Yano.

Mother: Atsuko.

Adopted daughter of—

Adoptive father: Wayne Vernon Williams.

Adoptive mother: Reiko Yano.

Date of birth: January 17, 1966.

Notification of birth at 1110 Korimoto-cho, Kagoshima-shi, on January 17, 1966, was made by father Masaru Yano, accepted and entered into register on 24th of the same month (Hatsuse).

Notification of adoption by Wayne Vernon Williams, a U.S. citizen, and his wife Reiko Yano was made by adoptive parents together with consenting father Masaru Yano and consenting mother Atsuko who had their parental power for the child, accepted on December 23, 1968, and entered into this register from that of Masaru Yano at 105 Kaminosono-cho, Kagoshima-shi (Hatsuse).

This is to certify that the above is the true, correct, and full copy of the original family register.

DECEMBER 25, 1968.

[OFFICIAL SEAL]

TETSUO HATSUSE,
*Town-master of Hayato-machi,
Aira-gun, Kagoshima-ken.*

Translated by Hisako Yukawa, attorney at law.

HISAKO YUKAWA.

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the above translation of Reiko Yano's family register from Japanese to English is correct.

DECEMBER 27, 1968.

MATSUO KAWATO,
Legal Assistant, Itazuke Legal Office.

I certify that Matsuo Kawato is a legal assistant employed by this legal office.

DECEMBER 27, 1968.

[SEAL]

MARVIN H. PILCHEN,
*Captain, U.S. Air Force,
Deputy Staff Judge Advocate,
Itazuke Airbase.*

Congressman Robert L. Leggett, the author of the bill, submitted the following letter in support of the bill to the chairman of a subcommittee of the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, D.C., January 27, 1970.

In re H.R. 11578, for the relief of Patricia Hiro Williams.

HON. MICHAEL A. FEIGHAN,

*Chairman, Subcommittee on Immigration and Nationality, Committee
on the Judiciary, Rayburn Building, Washington, D.C.*

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: The following will recap the testimony before your subcommittee in the above-entitled matter.

Patricia was born January 17, 1966, of Japanese parentage and was adopted legally by T. Sgt. Wayne V. Williams and his wife, Reiko Yano Williams, within the past 2-year period.

Sergeant Williams has been reassigned effective next May for a new tour of duty outside of Japan and considering the fact that the child at the time of his transfer will not have been adopted for a 2-year period, a preference visa is not available—therefore, the necessity for the relief prayed for in this bill.

The situation is not complicated and is totally equitable. I would appreciate any assistance your committee can give to effect the passage of the bill such that this family can leave Japan as a family unit.

Very sincerely,

ROBERT L. LEGGETT,
Member of Congress.

The committee, after consideration of all the facts in the case, is of the opinion that the bill (H.R. 11578) should be enacted.

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